

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR IMPROVED TEXT ENTRY ON AN
ALPHANUMERIC KEYPAD

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A device and method wherein, using a keypad such as a standard alphanumeric telephone-style keypad, text entry is improved by employing a key-press combination which indicates which of the multiple characters associated with a key is chosen. The user will push-and-hold a first key, then press a second key; the position within the keypad, such the row number, of the first key indicates which of the characters represented by the second key are chosen. In this way, any standard character can be selected with a two-key combination.